1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
18.	Hanumangarh	-	01	06	02	02	-
19.	Sriganganagar	-	01	07	04	02	-
20.	Barmer	-	-	01	04	02	-
21.	Jaisalmer	-	-	-	03	01	-
22.	Sirohi	-	01	05	04	03	-
23.	Jalore	-	01	05	02	02	-
24.	Pali	-	02	15	06	02	-
25.	Ajmer	-	03	19	12	07	-
26.	Bhilwara	-	01	09	03	03	-
27.	Chittorgarh	-	-	-	01	01	-
28.	Udaipur	-	02	11	06	04	-
29.	Dungarpur	-	-	-	01	01	-
30.	Banswara	-	-	-	02	01	-
31.	Rajsamand	-	-	-	01	02	-
	Grand Total	64 Lines+ = 1 32 Lines = 1	32	209	123	88	-

B/L = Bilingual

Lack of Passenger Amenities at Railway Stations

5268. SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the fact that Dankaur, Chola and other important railway stations under Northern Railway in Khurja constituency lack necessary basic facilities;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the names of the railway stations under Khurja constituency where basic facilities have been provided by the Government during the last there years alongwith the year-wise total amount spent in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Railways do not maintain constituency-wise information in respect of stations.

Sub-Standard Essential Service in Bihar

5269. SHRI MOHAMMAD ALI ASHRAF FATMI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of sub-standard essential services available in the post, telegraph and Communications in Bihar;

(b) whether the improvement is required in the quality of these services; and

(c) if so, the instructions issued in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA): (a) Essential services of the post, Telegraph and Communications in Bihar are generally satisfactory. However, there are occasional instances of delay to mail due to various reasons, viz., natural calamities, transportation bottlenecks, receipt of sudden and exceptionally heavy volume of mails.

(b) Yes, Sir. There is always a scope for improving the quality of service which, is an ongoing process in the department.

(c) Instructions are issued from time to time to the inspecting staff to make surprise visits and through an effective inspection process to monitor and improve mail, delivery arrangements, ensure proper financing of Post Offices and give adequate attention to public grievances. Transmission and delivery of mails, moneyorders and telegraph services are continuously monitored at various levels and corrective measure taken to remove deficiencies. In order to improve the quality of postal services, counter operations in 48 Post Offices have been computerised by installing 92 multi-purpose counter machines in Bihar.

Publications

5270. SHRI JAI PRAKASH AGARWAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of books published by the Department of Publication in Hindi, English, Urdu and other Indian language during each of the last three years;

(b) the details of the titles of these books separately;

(c) the expenditure incurred on these books language-wise; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to encourage publication of books in Indian languages?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) to (c) The details of books published by the Publications Division in English, Hindi, Urdu and other Indian Languages with the expenditure incurred thereon are given in statement attached.

(d) Publications Division is taking a number of steps to bring out books in regional languages. Eminent authors are identified to write books originally in regional languages. Some of the books already published in Hindi and English are translated to regional languages. Another project has been taken up whereby the eminent litteratures are commissioned to identify the modern Indian classics (published in the last two hundred years or so) in regional languages. Ten to fifteen classics of identified versions are brought out in respective languages. These books are then translated in other Indian languages. The objective is to make the classics written in one regional language available to the readers of the other regional languages.

Statement

Publications released during the year 1994-95

English

Collected Work of Mahatma Gandhi

1.	C.W.M.G. Vol. XLI (41)	Rep.
2.	C.W.M.G. Vol. LXI (61)	Rep.
3.	C.W.M.G. Vol. LXVII (67)	Rep.
4.	C.W.M.G. Vol. LXVIII (68)	Rep.
5.	C.W.M.G. Vol. LXIX (69)	Rep.
6.	C.W.M.G. Vol. LXXV (75)	Rep.
7.	C.W.M.G. Vol. L (50)	Rep.
8.	C.W.M.G. Vol. V (5)	Rep.
9.	Mass Media in India 93.	
10.	Press in India 93.	
11.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 17	Rep.
12.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 18	Rep.
13.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 28	Rep.
14.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 43	Rep.
15.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 62	Rep.
16.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 58	Rep.
17.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 59	Rep.
18.	Buddhist Sculptures & Monuments	Rep.
19.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 27	Rep.
20.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 64	Rep.
21.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 65	Rep.
22.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 66	Rep.
23.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 72	Rep.
24.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 73	Rep.
25.	Govind Ballabh Pant	(BMI)
26.	An Introduction to Indian Music	Rep.
27.	Folk Arts & Social Communication	
28.	Nataraja	Rep.
29.	All are Equal in the Eyes of God	Rep.
30.	Mahatma Gandhi—His Life in Pictures	Rep.
31.	Gandhi Album	Rep.
32.	Quotable Quotes: Gandhi	
33.	Significance of Gandhi as a Man & Thinker	Rep.
34.	Gandhian Values & 20th Century Challenges	Rep.
35.	Let us know Gandhiji	Rep.
36.	Gandhi in Champaran	Rep.
37.	Epigrams from Gandhi	Rep.
38.	Mahatma Gandhi—A Chronology	Rep.
39.	Mahatma Gandhi as a Student	Rep.
40.	Message of Mahatma Gandhi	Rep.
41.	Buddhist Shrines in India	Rep.
42.	Mahatma Gandhi & One World	Rep.
43.	Press in India 1994.	
44.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 21	Rep.
45.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 23	Rep.
46.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 19	Rep.
47.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 32	Rep.
48.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 33	Rep.
49.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 35	Rep.
50.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 36	Rep.
51.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 37	Rep.
52.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 38	Rep.
53.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 47	Rep.
54.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 10	Rep.
55.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 51	Rep.
56.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 52	Rep.
57.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 56	Rep.
58.	C.W.M.G. Vol. 57	Rep.

59. C.W.M.G. Vol. 60 Rep.
60. C.W.M.G. Vol. 94
61. C.W.M.G. Vol. 95.
62. C.W.M.G. Vol. 96.
63. C.W.M.G. Vol. 97.
64. C.W.M.G. Vol. 100.
65. Language of Music.
66. Prominent Mystic Poets of Punjab.
67. Yoga-Illusrated Rep.
68. A Thought for the Day. Rep.
69. Nala—Damayanthi Rep.
70. C.W.M.G. Vol. 34 Rep.
71. C.W.M.G. Vol. 40 Rep.
72. C.W.M.G. Vol. 55 Rep.
73. C.W.M.G. Vol. 77 Rep.
74. C.W.M.G. Vol. 78 Rep.
75. C.W.M.G. Vol. 79 Rep.
76. C.W.M.G. Vol. 80 Rep.
77. C.W.M.G. Vol. 81 Rep.
78. C.W.M.G. Vol. 82 Rep.
79. C.W.M.G. Vol. 86 Rep.
80. C.W.M.G. Vol. 87 Rep.
81. C.W.M.G. Vol. 88 Rep.
82. C.W.M.G. Vol. 89 Rep.
83. Gandhi: An Indian Patriot in South Africa.
84. Gopal Bhand—The Jesture from Bengal.
85. SSI—Incentives & Facilities for Development M/O. Industry.
86. The Way of Buddha Rep.
87. The Tale of the Tailor Bird & Other Stories.
88. C.W.M.G. Vol. 2 Rep.
89. C.W.M.G. Vol. 12 Rep.
90. C.W.M.G. Vol. 13 Rep.
91. C.W.M.G. Vol. 31 Rep.
92. C.W.M.G. Vol. 39 Rep.
93. C.W.M.G. Vol. 48 Rep.
94. C.W.M.G. Vol. 76 Rep.
95. C.W.M.G. Vol. 83 Rep.
96. C.W.M.G. Vol. 84 Rep.
97. C.W.M.G. Vol. 85 Rep.
98. C.W.M.G. Vol. 90 Rep.
99. C.W.M.G. Vol. 91 Rep.
100. C.W.M.G. Vol. 92 Rep.
101. C.W.M.G. Vol. 93 Rep.
102. C.W.M.G. Vol. 98 Rep.
103. C.W.M.G. Vol. 99 Rep.

Hindi

1. Apni Hindi Sudharein.
2. San Sattavan Ke Bhule Bisre Shaheed Part III
3. Madhya Bharat Ke Lok Katha Geet.
4. Ajanta Ka Vaibhav.
5. Adarsh Vidyarthi Bapu Rep.
6. Tulsi Ka Byah Rep.
7. Sabbu Satpat Rep.
8. Bhaisohn Ka Rajkumar Rep.
9. Hindi Sahityakar: Album (Portfolios of Eminent Hindi Writers).
10. Betal Kathaen Rep.
11. Kheer Ki Gudiya Rep.
12. Manimala Rep.
13. Bharat Ke Budh Tirthsthal.
14. Pravasi Karantikari Rep.
15. Bharat Mein Jansamvad. Rep.
16. Press in India.
17. Gandhi Shatdal Rep.
18. Mahatma Gandhi Ka Sandesh Rep.
19. Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi Rep.
20. Aise The Bapu Rep.
21. Mahatma Gandhi—Chitra Mein Jivan Gatha Rep.
22. Gandhiji—Ek Mahatma Ki Samshipt Jivni.
23. Vagyaniko Ki Jivan Kathaen.
24. Hiran Ka Vyapari Rep.
25. Kamal Aur Ketki Rep.
26. Samrat Ashok Rep.
27. Pracheen Kathaen.
28. Chidiyon Ka Darbar Rep.
29. Rashtra Kavi Maithili Sharan Gupta Rep.
30. Giani Chuha Rep.
31. Sher Ka Dil Rep.
32. Rashtrapati Giani Zail Singh Speeches Vol. II
33. Kranti Jyoti Savitri Bai Phule Rep.
34. Bhartiya Jan Jivan-Chintan Ke Darpan Mein Vol. II.
35. Bhartiya Hathi Rep.
36. Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Rep.

37. Jawaharlal Nehru Ke Bashan Vol. II
38. Bharat 1994.
39. Dur Desh Ke Nunne Munne Rep.
40. Bihar Ki Lok Kathaen Vol II Rep.
41. Bihar Ki Lok Kathaen Vol. I Rep.
42. Rochak Etihasik Kahanian Rep.

Urdu

1. Syed Ahmed Khan (BMI)
2. Kashmir Ki Lok Kathain.
3. Kaghzi Hai Paivahan.

Other Indian Languages

1. Bipin Chandra Pal (BMI).
2. Sukhno Suraj Rep.
3. Megh Bhanus Rep.
4. Manyamlo Myuram.
5. Stree Ratnali
6. A.P. Lo Pushkaranadulu.
7. Bala Deepikalu.
8. Hamara Bharat Desh.
9. Punyapitha Kapilash.

		Expenditure
Total English publications:	103	93,48,648.00
Total Hindi publications:	42	Rs. 24,85,015.00
Total Urdu publications:	03	Rs. 1,12,390.00
Total Other Indian Languages publications:	09	Rs. 2,22,070.00
Total publications:	157	Rs. 121,68,123.00

Publications released during the year 1995-96

English

1. P.V. Narasimha Rao: Selected Speeches Vol. III
2. Forgotten Monuments of Orissa-Vol. I
3. Ancient India.
4. Gandhi: The Man and His Thought Rep.
5. National Parks of India.
6. India—1994.
7. MA Ansari (BMI)
8. Andhra Kesari T. Prakasam (BMI)
9. Towards Food for All—Ideas for a new PDS.
10. Reprinting of the book "1857".
11. Reprinting of C.W.M.G.-Vol. 44.
12. Gandhi-A Pictorial Biography Rep.
13. C.W.M.G. Vol. XIII Rep.
14. C.W.M.G. Vol. LXXXIV. Rep.
15. Gandhi—Ordained in South Africa.
16. Ancient India
17. Challenge to the Empire—A Study of Netaji Rep.
18. Sardar Patel Memorial Lectures 1993-94.
19. Folk Tales of Kerala.
20. C.W.M.G. Vol. XII Rep.
21. Mass Media in India 1994-95.
22. The Years of Endeavour: Selected Speeches of Indira Gandhi. Rep.
23. Indian Tribes Through the Ages Rep.
24. P.V. Narasimha Rao's Selected Speeches-Vol. IV.
25. An Outline History of Indian People Rep.
26. C.W.M.G. Vol. XX Rep.
27. India—1995.
28. United Nations in the Service of the Comman Man.
29. C.W.M.G. Vol. XIII Rep.

Hindi

1. Raishree Purushottam Das Tandon Rep.
2. J.L. Nehru Ke Bashan Vol. Rep.
3. Bhartiya Vyagyapan Main Naithiktha.
4. Budh Gatha.
5. Samyukt Rashtra Bachchon Ke Liye.
6. Suron Ka Sadhak.
7. Doordarshan: Dasha Aur Disha.
8. Bharat Ke Samachar Patra 1994.
9. Chidiyon Ki Duniya Rep.
10. Grammen Jivan Mein Vigyan Rep.
11. Pauranik Bal Kathaen Rep.
12. Rajkumari Nehalde Rep.
13. Dharti Ka Sapna Rep.
14. Dasto Rog Rep.
15. Kalguru Anand Kumar Swami Rep.
16. Dakshin Bharat Ke Mandi Rep.
17. Sunehra Kachua Rep.
18. Hindi Aur Uski Upbhashaen
19. Bhartiya Sankriti Ki Jhanki Rep.
20. Premchand Ki Vichar Yatra
21. C.K. Nayudu

22. Dr. Rajendra Prasad Sachitra Jivni Rep.
23. Laghu Udyog Vikas Ke Liye Protsahan Aur Suvidhaen.
24. G.V. Mavalankar (BMI).
25. Manipur Ki Lok Kathaen Rep.
26. Keshab Ch. Sen (BKI).
27. San Sattaon Ke Bhule visre Shahid Rep.
28. Kasturba Gandhi Rep.
29. Bhojpuri Lok Kathaein Rep.
30. Bharat Ki Masjide Rep.
31. Apni Hindi Sudharein Rep.
32. Uttar Pradesh Ki Lok Kathaein Rep.
33. Yoga Sachitra
34. Sarojini Naidu Rep.
35. Sant Gadge Baba Rep.
36. Rabindra Nath Thakur ki Bal Kahaniyan Rep.
37. Madan Mohan Malviya Rep. (BMI)
38. Hamare Bhadur Bacche Rep.
39. Rochak Aitihasik Kahaiyan Pt. II Rep.
40. Prachin Bharat
41. Iswar Ch. Vidyasagar (Rep.) BMI.
42. Man Jiska Mazbut Vol. II
43. Kartabi Janwar Rep.
44. Netaji Subhash Ch. Bose Rep.
45. Bajjik Ki Lok Kathaein Rep.
46. Bundel Khand Ki Lok Kathaein Rep.
47. Collected Works of Mahatma Gandhi Vol. XXI Rep.
48. Collected Works of Mahatma Gandhi Vol. XXIII Rep.
49. Quotable Quotes—Vinobha Bhave.
50. Quotable Quotes—Subramaniam Bharti.
51. Quotable Quotes—Jayshankar Prasad.
52. C.W.M.G. Vol. XX Rep.
53. C.W.M.G. Vol. XXV Rep.
54. Awadh Ki Begum Rep.
55. Batal Kathaein Rep.
56. C.W.M.G. Vol. XXIV (Hindi) Rep.
57. C.W.M.C. Vol, X Rep.
58. C.W.M.G. Vol. IV Rep.
59. Aajkal Anugramanika.
60. Premchand—Quotable Quotes.
61. Louha Purush Sardar Patel Rep.
62. Boudh Kathaein Rep.
63. Kumaun Ki Lok Kathein Rep.
64. C.W.M.G. Vol. VIII Rep.
65. C.W.M.G. Vol. VII Rep.
66. C.W.M.G. Vol. V Rep.
67. Dr. Zakir Hussain (BMI)
68. Bhimrao Ambedkar (BMI)-Rep.
69. Bharat—1995.
70. C.W.M.G. Vol. VI Rep.
71. C.W.M.G. Vol. XXII Rep.

Urdu

1. Abul Kalam Azad (BMI)
2. Hamari Tahzeebi Werasat
3. Hindustani Taahzeeb KI Musalman Par Asar
4. Ainee-E-Ghalib.

Other Indian Languages

1. B.R. Ambedkar (BMI)
2. R.N. Tagore
3. Bal Gangadhar Tilak
4. Maulana Kalam Azad
5. Sari Saep Ki Kahani
6. Kaka Sahib Gadgil
7. Mantri Ka Patti (Television)
8. Besare Devils
9. The Grandpa and Horses
10. Techniques of Planning
11. The Immortal Flower
12. K. Kamraj
13. V.O. Chidambaram Pillai
14. India Sutruchuzal-Ithil Namadu Pangu

			Expenditure
Total English Publications	- 29	Nos. Rs.	42,82,667.00
Total Hindi Publications	- 71	Nos. Rs.	34,44,196.00
Total Urdu Publications	- 04	Nos. Rs.	1,39,652.00
Total Other Indian Languages	- 14	Nos. Rs.	4,99,779.00
Total Publications	118	Nos. Rs.	83,66,294.00

Publications Released During 1996-97

English

1. C.W.M.G. Vol. 84 Rep.
2. Indian Shipping A Historical Survey
3. Jawaharlal Nehru: Selected Speeches Vol. I Rep.
4. Jawaharlal Nehru: Selected Speeches Vol. II Rep.
5. Jawaharlal Nehru: Selected Speeches Vol. III Rep.
6. Jawaharlal Nehru: Selected Speeches Vol. IV Rep.
7. Jawaharlal Nehru: Selected Speeches Vol. V Rep.
8. Proverty and Un-British Rule in India Rep.
9. Jawaharlal Nehru: A Pictorial Biography (Revised Edition)
10. Great Men Great Deeds
11. Press in India 1995
12. President Shanker Dayal Sharma Speeches Vol. I.
13. Regreening of our Earth Rep.
14. Sufis of Sindh Rep.
15. Prem Chand: Life & Works Rep.
16. C.W.M.G. Vol. 9.
17. Forgotten Monuments of Orissa, Vol. II.
18. Forgotten Monuments of Orissa, Vol. III.
19. A Moment in Time, with Legends of Indian Arts.
20. Madan Mohan Malviya (BMI) Rep.

Hindi

1. Sita Rep.
2. Gangadhar Rao Deshpande (BMI).
3. Pannadhay Rep.
4. V.O. Chidambaram Pillai (BMI)
5. Gopal Krishna Gokhle (BMI) Rep.
6. Raja Rammohan Roy (BMI) Rep.
7. C.W.M.G. Vol. 68 Rep.
8. Rani Lakshmi Bai Rep.
9. Bacchon Ka Vikas Rep.
10. Kaurvi Lok Kathain Rep.
11. Bharat Ki Veer Gathain
12. Secularbad Bhartiya Parikalpana
13. Bharat Ke Samachar Patra 1995
14. Rochak Aitihasik Kahaniyan
15. Hindi-Mat Abhimat
16. Bharat Aur Manav Sanskriti Vol. I
17. Bharat Aur Manav Sanskriti Vol. II
18. Lakshagriha Part III Rep.
19. C.W.M.G. Vol. 14 Rep.
20. C.W.M.G. Vol. 3 Rep.
21. C.W.M.G. Vol. 26 Rep.
22. C.W.M.G. Vol. 39 Rep.
23. C.W.M.G. Vol. 19 Rep.
24. Gopal Krishna Gokhale Rep.
25. Maratha Shakti Ka Uday Rep.
26. Hindi Vikas Aur Sambhavanayen.
27. Bhartiya Swatantrata Andolan Ka Itihas Part I.
28. Bhartiya Swatantrata Andolan Ka Itihas Part II.
29. C.W.M.G. Vol. 70 Rep.
30. Ustad Bhure Lal Rep.
31. Mahabali Rustam
32. Mushtaq Ali.
33. Vedanta Aur Vishwachetna.
34. C.W.M.G. Vol. 18 Rep.
35. Bengal Ki Lok Kathaen Rep.
36. Chetak Aur Pratap.
37. Rashtrapati Dr. Shanker Dayal Sharma, Chunne Hue Bhashan Vol. I
38. Indira Gandhi, Chunne Hue Bhashan Aur Lekh
39. Bhartiya Sanskriti Ka Musalmano Per Prabhav
40. Lal Bahadur Shastri (BMI) Rep.
41. Bhartiya Kala Aur Kalakar
42. C.W.M.G. Vol. I Rep.
43. Malviyajee Rep.
44. C.W.M.G. Vol. 35 Rep.
45. Loh Purush Sardar Patel Rep.
46. Hamara Paryavaran Rep.
47. Chiriyon Ki Dunia Rep.
48. Desh-Videsh Ki Kahanian
49. Aise The Bapu Rep.
50. Babu Jagjivan Ram (BMI).
51. Shamsher Bahadur Singh
52. C.W.M.G. Vol. 69 Rep.
53. Dada Bhai Naoroji Rep.
54. Prachin Bharat Rep.
55. Mehnat Ki Mahak
56. Bharat Ke Pakshi Rep.
57. Vaigyanikon Ki Jeevan Kathain Rep.

Urdu

1. Ganjine-e-Ghalib.
2. Hindustan Mein Islamic Uloom Ke Markez.
3. Hindustan Ke Azeem Mosikar.

Others Indian Languages

1. MR. Jayakar.
2. Freedom Movement in A.P.
3. Glory of Vijayanagram.
4. Fidele Nayudu Gasu.
5. Glory of Kakatiyas.
6. Our National Song.
7. C.F. Andrews.
8. Valmiki & Vyas.
9. Vaigyaniko.
10. Rabindra Nath Tagore.
11. Vishwa Ki Shresth Lok Kathain.
12. Bapu Ke Saath.
13. A.P. Geography and Resources.
14. Acharya Vinoba Bhave.
15. Ghalib And Hundred Moods.
16. Keshub Chander Sen.

			Expenditure
Total English Publications	20 Nos.	Rs.	16,39,219.00
Total Hindi Publications	57 Nos.	Rs.	31,64,888.00
Total Urdu Publications	3 Nos.	Rs.	79,700.00
Total Others Indian Languages publications.	16 Nos.	Rs.	3,14,660.00
Total Publications	96	Rs.	51,98,467.00

[English]

Satellite Communication Facility in Hilly Remote Areas

5271. SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to provide a net-work of communication facilities/telephone through satellite in the hilly and remote areas;

(b) if so, the time by which the final decision is likely to be taken in this regard;

(c) the areas likely to be covered in this regard on priority basis; and

(d) the total amount likely to be spent on providing telephone facility through satellite?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA): (a) and (b) Government is already providing communication facilities to remote and hilly areas through Satellite Communication where conventional medium is not possible. A number of MCPC VSAT (Multi Channel Per Carrier, Very Small Aperture Satellite Terminal) have been deployed in the Country. Govt. is also considering to deploy VPTs on Satellite based technology for such remote and inaccessible hilly areas.

(c) Remote and hilly areas of J&K, H.P. U.P. (W), M.P., N.E. States, A&N Islands, etc. being covered under Statellite communication.

(d) One MCPC VSAT terminal costs about Rs. 15 lacs and it is possible to give seven Voice Channels pr MCPC. About Rs. 20 crores have been set aside for this purpose during this financial year.

BALCO

5272. SHRI HARADHAN ROY: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to provide adequate funds to Bidhanbag unit of BALCO for production of marketable Properzi Rods at Properzi Plant;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be provided?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA): (a) to (c) Bharat Aluminium Company Limited (BALCO) had commissioned a small Properzi unit at the Bidhanbag Unit (BBU) but found it to be technically and economically unviable to operate. The Company has, therefore, stopped producing properzi rods at BBU. The Government have no proposal to provide any funds to BALCO for this purpose.

Air India Plans Route Sharing with Major Airlines

5273. SHRI B.L. SHANKAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Air India Plans route sharing with major airlines" appearing in the 'Times of India' dated April 24, 1997;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) the reasons therefor; and

(d) the gains likely to be accrued to Air India by